

Paul's Second Missionary Journey

Acts 15:36—18:22

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bible verse

COMMITTING TO MEMORY

Acts 16:31

Believe in the Lord Jesus
and you will be saved.



story lesson

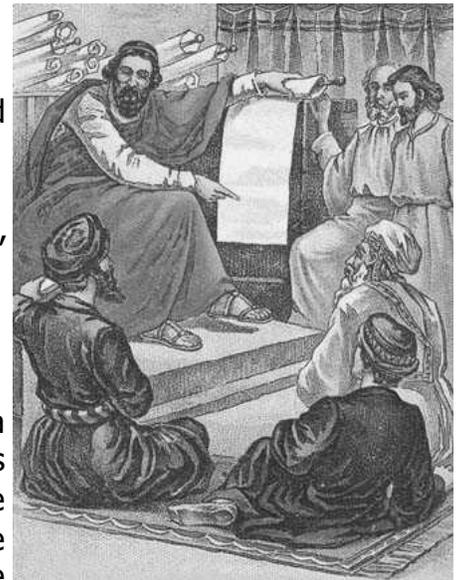
BIBLE STORY

After the Council in Jerusalem, Paul set off on his second missionary circuit.

He went with Silas this time (after a heated dispute with Mark and Barnabas) and they traveled through Syria and Cilicia, Derbe and Lystra, Phrygia and Galatia, Troas and Macedonia, Samothrace, Neapolis, and Philippi, then later to Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, Corinth, finally Caesarea, and then back home to Antioch.

During their excursion these things happened:

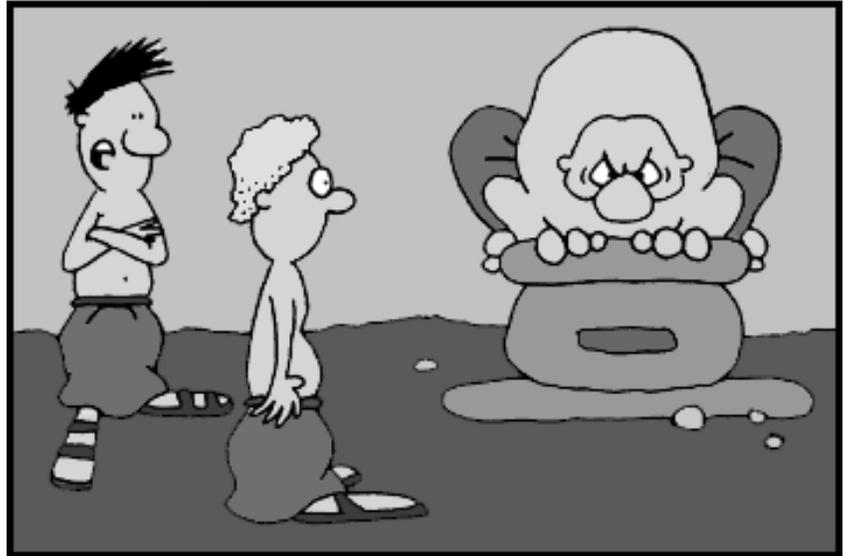
- Met a disciple named Timothy who accompanied Paul and Silas on their journey.
- The Spirit of Jesus prevented them from going into Asia, but beckoned them over to Macedonia.
- A woman named Lydia became a follower of Jesus.
- In Philippi they encountered issues when Paul cast a demon out of a slave girl that was making her owners quite a bit of money, they were taken before the magistrates, flogged, and put into prison, where in the middle of the night while the two missionaries were singing hymns, a violent earthquake shook the foundations of the prison and all the doors flew open. The jailer drew his sword to kill himself, but Paul and Silas stopped him. The jailer and his entire household later believed in Jesus.
- In Thessalonica, the Jews were jealous, formed a mob, and started a riot in the city.
- Met people in Berea that were of more noble character than the Thessalonians, where "they received the message with great eagerness and examined the



Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true" (Acts 17:11).

- Paul spoke to the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers in the Areopagus at the city of Athens.
- And in Corinth, Paul found Aquila and Priscilla to be great leaders of the Gospel.

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ACTUALLY, MR. PAUL, IT'S NOT A STATUE TO AN UNKNOWN GOD AT ALL ... IT'S MY UNCLE STEW, HE'S A BIT ODD

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HMM ... YOUR GOD SOUNDS PRETTY GOOD, BUT I'D REALLY LIKE TO SEE A REALLY SCARY STATUE OF HIM BEFORE I COMMIT



life application

MAKING IT REAL

Don't Stop

Don't stop being a Jesus follower because bad things have happened to you. Remember, God has called us to suffer for his name. Suffering is sharing in the inheritance of the saints. It should be exciting, shouldn't it? Hopefully...

Live the Adventure

I wonder if Jesus isn't calling us to live the most grand adventure of all time. I wonder if Paul's life is a model for us to be adventurous and open to what God might have in store. Not everyone would want to travel the world teaching about Jesus. Some may stay put in a community their whole lives. Both situations can be grand adventures in the kingdom of God. Are we living in God's grand, adventurous story? Or are we numb, or asleep? This Jesus kind of life is not something to miss!



questions

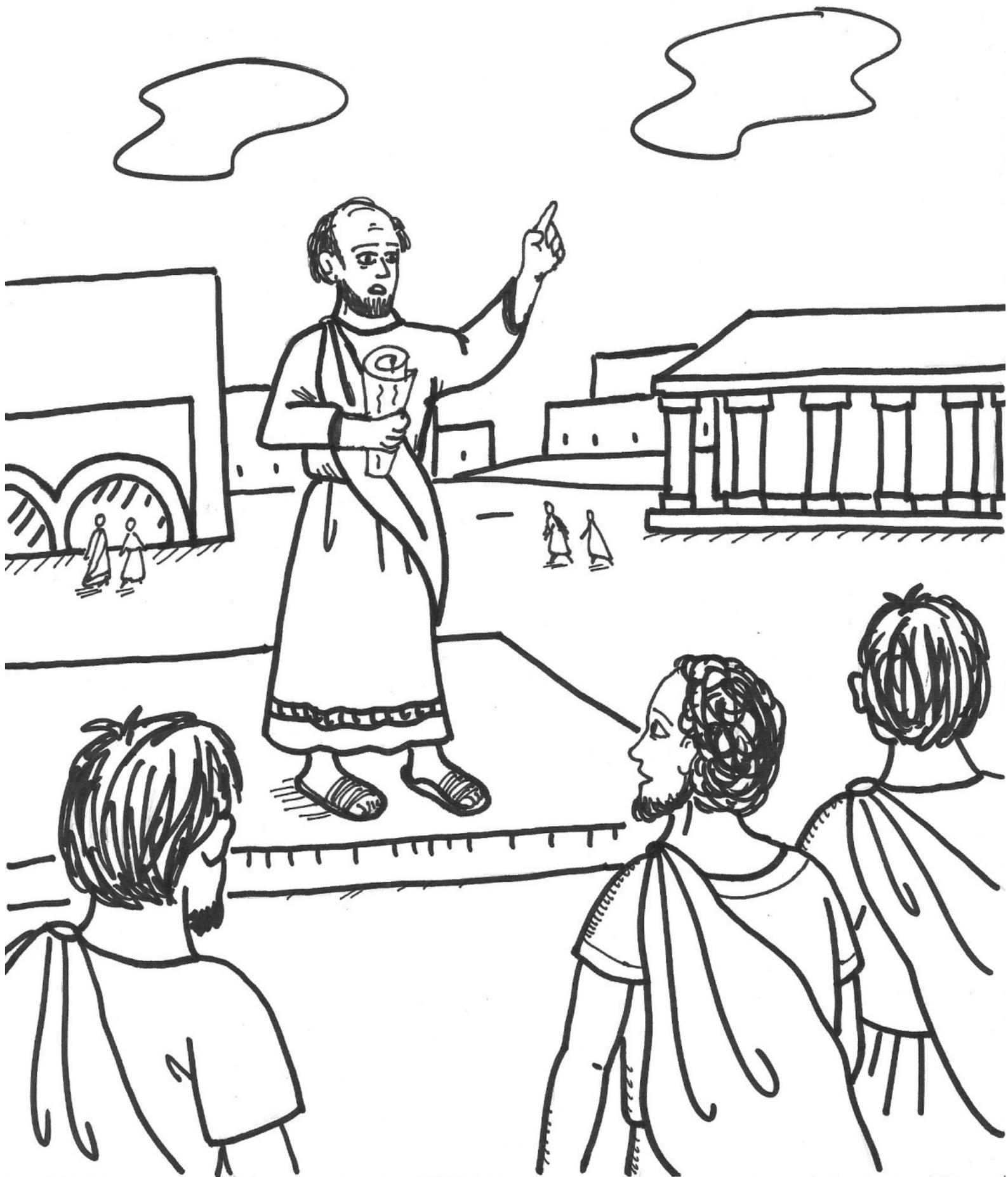
REMEMBERING

- 1. Who went with Paul on his second missionary journey?** Silas (and Timothy)
- 2. Where did Paul and Silas go? What cities do they visit?** Syria and Cilicia, Derbe and Lystra, Phrygia and Galatia, Troas and Macedonia, Samothrace, Neapolis, and Philippi, then later to Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, Corinth, finally Caesarea, and then back home to Antioch
- 3. What happened to Paul and Silas in Philippi?** Jailed for casting a demon out of a slave girl, rescued (sort of) from jail, and the jailer (and his family) became a Jesus follower
- 4. Where did Paul meet with the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers?**
The Areopagus in the city of Athens
- 5. What group of people "examined the Scriptures to see if what Paul said was true"?** The people in Berea



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